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Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27				Art Unit		3761	
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Application Type	Fee (\$)	Fee (\$)	Fee (\$		<u>Fee (\$</u>		Fees Paid (\$)
Utility	300	150	500	250	200	100	
Design	200	100	100	50	130	65	
Plant	200	100	300	150	160	80	
Reissue	300	150	500	250	600	300	
Provisional	200	100	0	0	0	0	
2. EXCESS CLAIM FEES							Small Entity
Fee Description							Fee (\$) Fee (\$)
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Application No.: 10/624,550

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Confirmation No.: 007488

Art Unit: 3761

Examiner: M. G. Bogart

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